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UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND  
DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

August 23, 2004

LERNER AND GREENBERG, PA  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to deny your refund request in the amount of \$172.00, for patent/serial number 10828854.

The money was due for two extra independent claims  
over the one originally patented independent claim.  
This is the rule for reissue cases.

Sincerely,

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